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Response to Amendment dated December 20, 2007.

Newly amended claim 2 is directed to an invention that is distinct from that originally elected for the following reasons: in the paper filed June 4, 2007, Applicants elected the species of hematopoietic cells as the source of stem cells, with traverse. The claim has received a first action on the merits. Newly amended claim 2 is no longer limited to hematopoietic cells as the source of cells, and is instead directed to umbilical cord blood cells, G-CSF mobilized peripheral blood cells and bone marrow cells, encompassing non-elected subject matter. As the office generally does not permit a shift to claiming another invention mid-prosecution (MPEP §819), the amendment is not entered.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Fereydoun G. Sajjadi whose telephone number is (571) 272-3311. The examiner can normally be reached between 6:30 AM-3:30 PM EST. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Woitach can be reached on (571) 272-0739. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

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